

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-9, and 11-15 are pending. Claims 2 and 10 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

A new title is provided in accordance with the requirement in the Office Action.

Applicants acknowledge that claims 2-7 and 10-15 contain allowable subject matter. To expedite prosecution, independent claim 1 is amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of claim 2, which is cancelled. Claims 3-5 are amended to depend from claim 1. Similarly, independent claim 9 is amended to incorporate the allowable subject matter of claim 10, which is cancelled. Claim 11 is amended to depend from claim 9.

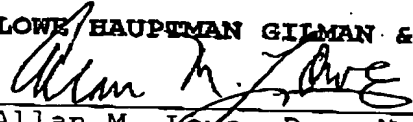
In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims are allowable. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application are respectfully requested and deemed in order.

To any extent necessary, Applicants hereby request an extension of time in which to file this paper. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any omitted fees, including application processing, extra claims, and extension fees, to Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

Respectfully submitted,

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